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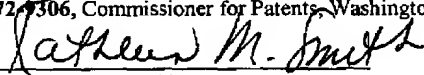
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Applicants request a refund of a petition fee improperly charged to counsel's Deposit Account 03-3975 on August 18, 2003. The charge data is as follows:


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Furthermore, the IDS was submitted within three months of the date of the corresponding European Examination Report, and the prior Office Action of July 2, 2003 was a non-final communication. None of the criteria applied that would have incurred the petition fee.

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